

the wind, and the grass spreads rapidly. (Harrison.)

*Clauцена lansium*. (Rutaceae.) 39176. Seeds of the wampi from Hong-kong, China. Presented by Mr. W. J. Tutcher, Superintendent, Botanical and Forestry Department. "A low spineless tree, with spreading branches; leaves spirally arranged, pinnate; leaflets 5-9, ovate-elliptical, 3-5 inches long, petiolate, light green, shiny above; flowers 4-5 parted, small, white, in large terminal panicles; ovary villous, 5-celled with one ovule in each cell; style short; stamens 10; fruit ovate-globose, about one inch long; skin glandular, pubescent; seeds green. The wampi is a native of southern China, where it is commonly grown for its fruits. It is cultivated to some extent in Hawaii and could probably be grown in the warmer parts of Florida and California. It can be grafted on grape-fruit and other species of Citrus, which makes it desirable to test it as a stock for common citrous fruits." (Swingle, in Bailey, Standard Cyclopedia of Horticulture.)

*Diospyros macrophylla*. (Ebenaceae.) 39174. Seeds from the Botanic Gardens, Buitenzorg, Java. Presented by the Director. A wild species of persimmon with small downy fruits for breeding purposes. *Technical description*: "A tree 60 feet high, with dark terete branches. Leaves alternate, oval or oval-oblong, acuminate at apex, rounded or sub-cordate at base, thinly coriaceous, nearly glabrescent below with clear slender arching lateral veins, glabrous above, 3-10 inches long, by one and one-half to four and three-fourths inches wide; petioles one-sixth to one-fourth inches long. Staminate flowers axillary, paniculate, one-fourth inch long, pubescent; panicles many-flowered, one to one and one-half inches long, ultimate pedicels mostly short. Calyx shortly 3-5-fid, globose-urceolate, three-sixteenth inch long, lobes deltoid; corolla silky outside, ovoid in bud, shortly 5-lobed, tube very crass and hard; stamens 12, unequal, in pairs, glabrous. Pistillate flowers in few-flowered cymes, short, calyx 4-5-fid, hairy on both sides, accrescent in fruit; fruit tomentose, sub-globose, one inch or more in diameter. Java, in mountainous places. Local name Kitjallung." (Hiern, Monograph of the Ebenaceae, p. 237, 1873.)

*Holcus sorghum*. (Poaceae.) 39264-282. Heads of sorghum from Buitenzorg, Java. Presented by Mr. T. E. van der Stok, Chief of the Station for Selection of Annual Crops, Botanic Garden. Nineteen varieties all described as "generally growing in the mountains on a very small scale."